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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) In a device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of displaying video signals and chat communications in frames on the display in any of a plurality of selectable display modes, each of the display modes defining the relative positions and sizes of the display frames, a method comprising:

receiving a video signal at the device;

receiving at the device one or more chat communications corresponding to the video signal;

displaying the video signal and the one or more chat communications on the display in a first display mode, such that the video signal is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the one or more chat communications are displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display; ~~and~~

displaying in the second frame ~~with the video signal and the one or more chat communications~~ a link to a second display mode that is different than the first display mode, such that when the link to the second display mode is selected, the second frame displays the one or more chat communications with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position than was used by the second frame in the first display mode, and while still displaying the video signal in the first frame-; and

displaying a link to a third display mode within the second frame when the second frame is displayed in the second display mode, and such that when the link to the third display mode is selected, the second frame displays the one or more chat communications with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position than was used by the second frame in both the first and second display modes, and while still displaying the video signal in the first frame.

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2.　(Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the video signal comprises a television show.

3.　(Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or more chat communications comprise text.

4.　(Cancelled)

5.　(Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or more chat communications overly a portion of the video signal.

6.　(Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

changing the video signal to receive a different channel, and in response to the different channel sending a request to a server for different chat communication corresponding to the different channel.

7.　(Cancelled)

8.　(Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying an area on the display for sending information relating to the video signal or the one or more chat communications.

9.　(Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying an area on the display for scrolling through the one or more chat communications.

10.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

selecting the link, wherein the link identifies a television markup language document that represents the second display mode, and

rendering the document to display the video signal and one or more chat communications in accordance with the second display mode.

11-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) A device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of displaying video content and chat in a plurality of selectable display formats, each display format controlling the relative positions and sizes of the display frames for the video content and the chat, comprising:

means for displaying video and chat corresponding to the video in a first display mode, such that the video content is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the chat is displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display; and

means for switching to a second display mode upon receiving a selection from a first link displayed in the second frame at the display, the second display mode being different than the first display mode, such that when the first link is selected, the means for switching to a second display mode includes means for switching at least one of the size and position of at least one of the first and second frame changes, and while still displaying the chat and video signal in the first frame and second frames respectively; and

means for switching to a third display mode upon receiving a selection from a second link that is displayed in the second frame when the second frame is displayed in the second display mode, the third display mode being different than the first and second display modes, such that when the second link is selected, the means for switching to a second display mode includes means for switching at least one of the size and position of the second frame, and while still displaying the chat and video signal in the first and second frames respectively,

21. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 20, wherein the means for switching to the second display mode includes actuating a hypertext link displayed in the first display mode.

22-25. (Cancelled)

26.   (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method in a device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of displaying video signals and chat communications in frames on the display in any of a plurality of selectable display modes, each of the display modes defining the relative positions and sizes of the display frames, wherein the method comprises:

receiving a video signal at the device;

receiving at the device one or more chat communications corresponding to the video signal;

displaying the video signal and the one or more chat communications on the display in a first display mode, such that the video signal is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the one or more chat communications are displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display; ~~and~~

displaying in the second frame ~~with the video signal and the one or more chat communications~~ a link to a second display mode that is different than the first display mode, such that when the link to the second display mode is selected, the second frame displays the one or more chat communications with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position than was used by the second frame in the first display mode, and while still displaying the video signal in the first frame~~.~~; and

displaying a link to a third display mode within the second frame when the second frame is displayed in the second display mode, and such that when the link to the third display mode is selected, the second frame displays the one or more chat communications with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position than was used by the second frame in both the first and second display modes, and while still displaying the video signal in the first frame,

27.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein the video comprises a television show.

28.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 27, further comprising computer-executable instruction for:

changing the video to a different channel, and in response to the different channel sending a request to a server for different chat corresponding to the different channel.

29.   (Cancelled)

30.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein the chat overlies a portion of the video.

31.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein the link identifies a markup language document that represents the second display mode.

32.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, further comprising computer-executable instruction for displaying an area on the display for scrolling through the chat.

33.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein a markup language document represents the first display mode, the computer-readable medium further comprising computer-executable instruction for rendering the document to display the video and the chat in accordance with the first display mode.

34.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein selection of the link also causes the first frame to display the video signal with at least one of a different first frame size and a different first frame position.

35.   (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein selection of the link also causes the first frame to display the video signal with at least one of a different first frame size and a different first frame position.

36.   (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the link comprises a selectable object displayed within the second frame.

37.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein the link comprises a selectable object displayed within the second frame.

38.   (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:

displaying with the video signal and the one or more chat communications at least one additional link corresponding to at least one additional display mode that is different than the first and second display modes and that when selected causes at least one of the size and position of at least one of the first and second frames to change, and while still displaying the video signal and the chat communications.

39.   (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, further comprising:

displaying with the video signal and the one or more chat communications at least one additional link corresponding to at least one additional display mode that is different than the first and second display modes and that when selected causes at least one of the size and position of at least one of the first and second frames to change, and while still displaying the video signal and the chat communications.

40.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein selection of the link also causes the first frame to display the video signal with at least one of the first frame size and the first frame position.

41.   (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein selection of the link also causes the first frame to display the video signal with at least one of the first frame size and the first frame position.

42.   (Previously Presented) A device as recited in claim 20, wherein the means for switching to a second display mode includes means for switching at least one of the size and position of the second frame, while still displaying the video signal in the first frame with at least one of the first frame size and the first frame position.

43.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein selection of the link also causes the first frame to display the video signal with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position.

44.   (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein selection of the link also causes the first frame to display the video signal with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position.

45.   (Currently Amended) A device as recited in claim 20, wherein the means for switching to a second display mode includes means for switching at least one of the size and position for both the first frame and the second frame, while still displaying the video signal ~~in the first frame~~and the chat communications.

46.   (New) In a device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of displaying video signals and chat communications in frames on the display in any of a plurality of selectable display modes, each of the display modes defining the relative positions and sizes of the display frames, a method comprising:

    receiving a video signal at the device;

    receiving at the device one or more chat communications corresponding to the video signal;

    displaying the video signal and the one or more chat communications on the display in a first display mode, such that the video signal is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the one or more chat communications are displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display;

    displaying with the video signal and chat communications a link to a second display mode that is different than the first display mode; and

    displaying both of the first and second frames in a second display mode, upon the link being selected, by displaying the video signal in the first frame with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position than was used by the first frame in the first display mode, and displaying the one or more chat communications in the second frame with at least one of a different frame size and a different frame position than was used by the second frame in the first display mode.

47.   (New) A computer program product comprising one or more computer readable media having computer-executable instructions for implementing the method recited in claim 46.